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February 4, 2005

Federal Election Commission  
Attn: Abbie Hodgson  
999 E Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20463

RE: C00053553  
30 Day Post-General Report (10/14/2004 - 11/22/2004)

Dear Ms. Hodgson:

This letter is in response to your correspondence dated January 5, 2005 requesting additional information for our 30-Day Post-General Report (10/14/04-11/22/04).

The obligations reported on the prior period's Schedule D were paid during the 30-Day Post-General Report date range. The outstanding debts were paid and shown on Schedule E, but no Schedule D was included showing these expenditures as being extinguished. An amended statement will be filed to correct this error.

There is a difference between our Schedule E Year-To-Date total for Mel Martinez and the Year-To-Date total that the FEC has calculated. According to Vocus, an approved FEC software vendor, their reporting system calculates the year-to-date totals for Schedule E using all disbursements made to fill a specific seat/office, not by the candidate. We made two disbursements in support of Bill McCollum for U.S. Senate, who was also running for the Senate seat in Florida. In researching this inquiry, we found a software error that did not include a disbursement in the year-to-date totals. Vocus has corrected this software error and an amended statement showing the correct total will be filed.

You mention that on our 24 Hour notices filed on 10/14/04, 10/15/04, 10/18/04, 10/19/04, 10/21/04, 10/22/04, 10/23/04, 10/25/04, 10/26/04, 10/27/04, 10/28/04, 10/29/04, 10/31/04 and 11/01/04 discloses the Calendar Year-To-Date for office sought total for all candidates to be \$0.00. The reporting software from Vocus, an approved FEC vendor, does not generate Year-To-Date totals for 48 or 24 hour notices.

There were questions about a list of independent expenditures that appear to have been disseminated after the general election. These independent expenditures were disseminated and paid for within this 30-Day Post-General reporting period (10/14/04-11/22/04) therefore, a Schedule D would not apply. Our 24 Hour notices reflect the dissemination date and our Schedule E filed with our 30-Day Post-General Report reflect the payment date.

Your letter included an attachment marked 24 Hour Notices Filed Late. These expenditures were for television, radio and newspapers that were prepaid. We filed 24 Hour notifications on the dissemination date. Schedule E on our 30-Day Post-General Report reflects the payment date. Our 24 Hour notices reflect the dissemination date (see attached). All expenditures were paid and disseminated within the 30-Day Post-General Reporting and a Schedule D would not apply.

In addition, you included an attachment marked 24 Hour Notices Not Filed. We have notated the 24 or 48 Hour Notice file date (see attached). For those that were inadvertently not filed, we will submit notification to the Commission.

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